

Environment and Sustainability Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 3 – Senedd**

Meeting date: **Wednesday, 17 July 2013**

Meeting time: **09:30 – 12:35**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Russell George
Llyr Huws Gruffydd
Julie James
Julie Morgan
William Powell
Antoinette Sandbach
Joyce Watson

Witnesses:

Ed Bailey, NFU Cymru
Gareth Cunningham, RSPB Cymru
Dr Clare Eno, Natural Resources Wales
Sue Evans, Country Land and Business Association
Nick Fenwick, Farmers' Union of Wales
Brian Pawson, Natural Resources Wales
Jeremy Percy, New Under Ten Fishermen's Association
Joanne Sherwood, Natural Resources Wales
Euan Dunn, RSPB Cymru
Emma Hockridge, The Soil Association

Committee Staff:

Alun Davidson (Clerk)
Catherine Hunt (Deputy Clerk)
Nia Seaton (Researcher)

TRANSCRIPT

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1 Motion under Standing Order 17.22 to elect temporary Chair

1.1 William Powell was elected as temporary Chair.

2 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

2.1 Apologies were received from Dafydd Elis-Thomas and from Vaughan Gething due to his appointment as Deputy Minister in the Welsh Government.

3 Update on reforms to the Common Agricultural Policy – Round-table discussion

3.1 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee.

3.2 Nick Fenwick agreed to provide a copy of the figures produced by Bangor University on income from wildlife tourism.

3.3 Nick Fenwick, Brian Pawson and Arfon Williams agreed to provide further information in writing on income foregone relating to agri-environment schemes.

4 Update on reforms to the Common Fisheries Policy – Round-table discussion

4.1 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee.

4.2 Jeremy Percy agreed to provide a copy of the note he produced for DEFRA on small scale fisheries.

5 Papers to note

Water policy in Wales – Letter from the Minister for Natural Resources and Food

5.1 The Committee noted the paper.

6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for items 7, 8, 9 and 10

6.1 The Committee agreed the Motion.

6.2 The Committee agreed to consider the business scheduled for the private session by email.